(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Spurt in extremists' activities

1592. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has of late been a sudden spurt in extremists' activities in different parts of the country; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to curb these activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government has taken a number of preventive as well as administrative measures which include beefing up of intelligence set up, intensified vigil on the borders, combing operations by security forces and better coordination between the State police, para-military forces and the Army when deployed. The policy of the Government is to deal firmly with the extremist elements in the country and simultaneously step up socio-economic development of affected areas to redress genuine grievances of the local people and thus wean then away from the extremists' influence All possible assistance is being provided by the Central Government to the affected States in this context.

Licence for serving of liquor in hotels to the customers

1593 DR BAPU KALDATE. Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some hotels in Delhi are licensed to serve liquor to its customers;

(b) if so, what are the terms and conditions laid down in this respect;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these hotels are reluctant in serving Indian whiskeys even to its Indian customers;

(d) whether any complaints have been received in this regard against the Machan bar of Taj Hotel, Man Singh Road, New Delhi; and

(e) if so, whether Government propose to issue directions to the management in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SOBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The licencing of hotels in Delhi is governed by the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 as extended to the Union Territory of Delhi, Delhi Liquor Licence Rules, 1976, and the Delhi Intoxicant Licence and Sales Rules, 1976. The licence in form LS-3 & L-5 under Delhi Liquor License Rules, 1976 is granted to such hotels as possess a certificate of recommendation from Deptt of Tourism of the Central Government and on their furnishing documents which include·

1. Articles of Memorandum/Certificate of Incorporation/partnership deal.

2. Sales Tax Registration Certificate.

3. Income Tax clearance-certificate.

4. Lodging house certificate from NDMC/MCD.

5. Eating house certificate from DCP (Licensing).

6 Site plan of the premises & stores etc.

Besides above, procedure as contained in Delhi Intoxicants Licence & Sales Rules is followed before any licence is granted for the retail vend of liquor for consumption 'on' the premises.

(c) No such instance has been reported.

(d) No such complaint has been received either by the excise department of the